GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – PR&RD Department - Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam - Allegation of acquisition of assets disproportionate to the known sources of income – Charges framed – Inquiry Report received – Explanation submitted – Punishment of stoppage of last annual grade increment without cumulative effect, which will be effective for (10) months" imposed – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 751 Dated: 18-09-2025

Read the following:-

1. Letter Rc.No.180/RCA-CIU/2015, dt.27.06.2018 of DG, ACB, AP, Vijayawada (Final Report).
2. G.O.Rt.No.559, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.05.10.2020.
3. Written Statement of Defense, dt.19.11.2020 of Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU, Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam.
4. G.O.Rt.No.210, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.09.04.2021.
5. G.O.Rt.No.350, PR&RD (Vig.I) Dept., dt.29.06.2021.
6. Letter Rc.No.SA/C/123-1/2023, dt.30.07.2024 of SE (PR) & Inquiring Authority, PR Circle, Visakhapatnam (Inquiry Report).
7. Govt. Memo No.18935/Vig.I/2015, dt.06.03.2025.
8. Letter No.Vig.(I)/3419/2015, dt.23.05.2025 of ENC, PR, together with explanation of Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam.

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ORDER:-

Whereas in the reference 1st read above, the Director General, ACB has submitted his final report on the allegation of acquisition of disproportionate assets to the known sources of income against Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam and recommended departmental action against Accused Officer for violation of Rule 9(1) & (2) of APCS (Conduct) Rules, 1964. After examination, Govternment have initiated departmental action by framing the following three (3) Articles of Charges against Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam vide G.O. 2nd read above.

Charge-1:

He failed to obtain prior permission from the competent authority or to give intimation for the purchase or to dispose movable and immovable properties in his name and in the names of his dependent family members and thereby violated Rule 9(1) & (2) of A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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Charge-2:

He failed to submit the annual property returns during his service except for the year, 2014, during his Government service from 1991 to 2015 and thereby violated Rule 9(7) of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Charge-3:

He failed to intimate to his competent authority about receipt of foreign currency funds received by him from his brother-in-law within (15) days from the date of receipt of such funds and thereby violated Rule 6-A of A.P.C.S. (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

Thus, Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, Assistant Executive Engineer, O/o.EE, Panchayat Raj, Vigilance & Quality Control Division, Visakhapatnam by his above mentioned acts has exhibited lack of integrity, devotion to duty and conduct unbecoming of Government Servant and thereby contravened Rule 3(1) and (2) of A.P.Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

2. In the reference 3rd read above, Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam has submitted his Written Statement of Defence duly denying the charges framed against him. After examining and not convincing with the same, Government have decided to conduct a regular inquiry into the charges framed against the Charged Officer.

3. Accordingly, in the G.O. 4th read above, Government have appointed Superintendent Engineer, PR, Visakhapatnam as Inquiring Authority under Rule 20(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 to conduct inquiry into the charges framed against Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam and to submit report to the Government in the G.O. 5th read above, Government have also appointed Sri K.V.V.R.R.V.Prasad, Inspector of Police, CIU, ACB, Vijayawada as Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiring Authority on behalf of the disciplinary authority.

4. In the reference 6th read above, the Superintendent Engineer (PR) & Inquiring Authority, PR Circle, Visakhapatnam has submitted his report concluding that the Charges I, II are partially proved and Charge-III is not held as proved. In the reference 7th read above, Inquiry Report was communicated to the Charged Officer under Rule 21(2) of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991 for his explanation. In the reference 8th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief, PR has submitted the explanation of Charged Officer, wherein the Charged Officer has requested to drop the charges I & II and agreed with the findings of Inquiring Authority on Charge-III, which is not proved by the Inquiring Authority. The explanation was examined.

5. Government after careful examination of the matter, have decided and hereby order to impose a penalty of "stoppage of last annual grade increment without cumulative effect, which will be effective for (10) months" against Charged Officer, Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam since two (2) charges were held as partially proved and (1) charge as not proved in the inquiry.

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6. The Engineer-in-Chief, PR, AP, Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHASHI BHUSHAN KUMAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri Duppala Ravi Kumar, the then Assistant Executive Engineer, PR, PIU Sub-Division, Sabbavaram, Visakhapatnam, through the Engineer-in-Chief,PR, AP, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, PR, AP, Vijayawada with a request to serve the Order to the Charged officer and furnish dated acknowledgement to the Govt.

Copy to:
The Secretary to VC, APVC, Velagapudi.
The DG, ACB, AP, Vijayawada.
The OSD to the Hon'ble Dy.CM for PR&RD, RWS&S and EFS&T.
The PS to Prl.Secy. to Govt., PR&RD Dept.
SF/SC. (C.No.338766)

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